

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-17 (cancelled)

--18. (New) A compressed air nozzle assembly comprising:

2 a system carrier;

4 a connection for coupling said system carrier to a hose configured to be coupled to a source
for pressurized fluid;

6 an adjustable fluid pressure reducing valve mounted in said system carrier, said pressure
reducing valve comprising:

8 a tilt valve formed with a valve disk which is formed with a first pressure reducing
area; and

10 a regulating member having a second pressure reducing area, said first and second
pressure reducing areas being combined to function as said fluid pressure reducing valve;

a tip;

12 a central outlet nozzle;

14 a ring nozzle around said central outlet nozzle, said ring nozzle projecting beyond the tip and
being configured to produce an air shield;

16 a ring projection in the area between the central outlet nozzle and the ring nozzle, said ring
projection providing contact protection; and

18 a regulating sleeve being longitudinally adjustable and coupled to said adjustable pressure
reducing valve for controlling fluid flow through said assembly.

19. (New) A compressed air nozzle assembly comprising:

a system carrier;

a connection for coupling said system carrier to a hose configured to be coupled to a source

for pressurized fluid;

an adjustable fluid pressure reducing valve mounted in said system carrier, said pressure

reducing valve comprising:

a tilt valve formed with a valve disk which is formed with a first pressure reducing

area; and

a regulating member having a second pressure reducing area, said first and second

pressure reducing areas being combined to function as said fluid pressure reducing valve;

a tip;

a central outlet nozzle;

a ring projection which projects beyond said tip and serves to provide contact protection, said

ring projection being configured to accommodate the connection of a conventional automotive tire
air pressure gauge; and

a regulating sleeve being longitudinally adjustable and coupled to said adjustable pressure
reducing valve for controlling fluid flow through said assembly.

20. (New) A pressurized fluid nozzle assembly comprising:

a system carrier;

a connection for coupling said system carrier to a hose configured to be coupled to a source

for pressurized fluid;

an adjustable fluid pressure reducing valve mounted in said system carrier, said pressure

6 reducing valve comprising:

a tilt valve formed with a valve disk which is formed with a first pressure reducing

8 area; and

a regulating member having a second pressure reducing area, said first and second

10 pressure reducing areas being combined to function as said fluid pressure reducing valve;

a tip;

12 a central outlet nozzle;

a ring nozzle around said central outlet nozzle, said ring nozzle projecting beyond the tip and

14 being configured to produce an air shield;

a ring projection in the area between the central outlet nozzle and the ring nozzle, said ring

16 projection providing contact protection; and

a regulating sleeve being longitudinally adjustable and coupled to said adjustable pressure

18 reducing valve for controlling fluid flow through said assembly;

wherein said regulating member and said regulating sleeve are configured for connection and

20 for support of said hose for the supply of pressurized fluid.

21. (New) A pressurized fluid nozzle assembly comprising:

2 a system carrier;

a connection for coupling said system carrier to a hose configured to be coupled to a source

4 for pressurized fluid;

an adjustable fluid pressure reducing valve mounted in said system carrier, said pressure

6 reducing valve comprising:

a tilt valve formed with a valve disk which is formed with a first pressure reducing
8 area; and
a regulating member having a second pressure reducing area, said first and second
10 pressure reducing areas being combined to function as said fluid pressure reducing valve;
a tip;
12 a central outlet nozzle;
a ring nozzle around said central outlet nozzle, said ring nozzle projecting beyond the tip and
14 being configured to produce an air shield;
a ring projection in the area between the central outlet nozzle and the ring nozzle, said ring
16 projection providing contact protection; and
a regulating sleeve being longitudinally adjustable and coupled to said adjustable pressure
18 reducing valve for controlling fluid flow through said assembly;
wherein said hose connection is configured to function as a pressure reducing valve.

22. (New) A pressurized fluid nozzle assembly comprising:
2 a system carrier;
a connection for coupling said system carrier to a hose configured to be coupled to a source
4 for pressurized fluid;
an adjustable fluid pressure reducing valve mounted in said system carrier, said pressure
6 reducing valve comprising:
a tilt valve formed with a valve disk which is formed with a first pressure reducing
8 area; and

a regulating member having a second pressure reducing areas, said first and second
10 pressure reducing areas combine to function as said fluid pressure reducing valve;
a tip;
12 a central outlet nozzle;
a ring nozzle around said central outlet nozzle, said ring nozzle projecting beyond the tip and
14 being configured to produce an air shield;
a ring projection in the area between the central outlet nozzle and the ring nozzle, said ring
16 projection providing contact protection; and
a regulating sleeve being longitudinally adjustable and coupled to said adjustable pressure
18 reducing valve for controlling fluid flow through said assembly;
wherein said regulating member and said regulating sleeve are configured for connection and
20 for support of said hose for the supply of pressurized fluid, and wherein said hose connection is
configured to function as a pressure reducing valve.

23. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 18, wherein the connection is a hose
2 connection, and wherein said pressure reducing valve comprises:
an insert formed with a sealing element;
4 a regulating member; and
a regulating sleeve.

24. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 18, wherein said regulating member and said
2 regulating sleeve are configured so that they are displaceable with respect to said system carrier to
thereby control said fluid pressure reducing valve.

25. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 18, wherein:

2 said compressed air hose is inserted between said regulating member and said regulating sleeve; and

4 said regulating member is inserted with a seal into said system carrier where it is locked in position by a connecting sleeve which is screwed into said system carrier.

26. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 25, wherein said connecting sleeve is

2 configured to be inserted into said system carrier and together with a clamping piece it is configured for connection and support of said hose for the supply of the pressurized fluid.

27. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 18, wherein said assembly has a permanently

2 connected hose socket formed with a compressed air shield integrated into said hose socket.

28. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 27, and further comprising a connection for an

2 automotive air pressure gauge integrated into said hose socket.

29. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 27, wherein said hose socket is formed with

2 means to protect against accidental contact.

30. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 27, and further comprising an outer sleeve

2 surrounding said system carrier, said system carrier and outer sleeve together accommodate the lower portion of said hose socket between them.

31. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 27, and further comprising:

an outlet valve;

said hose socket having a lower section configured to attach to said system carrier, a middle

section with a finger rest and/or a finger guard for operation of said outlet valve, and an upper section with a tip which has a central outlet nozzle for the pressurized medium.

32. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 31, wherein said finger rest has an integrally

molded ring flange.

33. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 18, and further comprising:

pneumatic safety shield means; and

a removable extension tube integrated with said safety shield.

34. (New) The nozzle assembly of claim 33, and further comprising:

a hose socket;

wherein said extension tube is provided with a collar on the pressurized fluid end which

prevents unintentional loosening of said extension tube after being inserted into said hose socket and allows it to be loosened from said hose socket when a greater force is applied.

35. (New) The nozzle assembly according to claim 22, wherein the regulating sleeve of

the air reducing valve is inserted beneath the tilt valve.

36. (New) The nozzle assembly according to claim 22, wherein the regulating member

2 and the regulating sleeve are configured for connection and for supporting the hose for the supply
of compressed air, and wherein the compressed air hose is inserted between the regulating piece and
4 the regulating sleeve, and the resulting hose connection can be screwed into the system sleeve.

37. (New) The nozzle assembly according to claim 22, and further comprising:

2 an insert having an insert sleeve, said insert being located in the system sleeve upstream from
the tilt valve; and

4 a sealing element connected to the insert sleeve by means of ribs, said sealing element being
located at the center of the insert, and being slightly conical in shape so that the tip thereof is
6 pointing upstream in the direction of the hose connection.

38 (New) The nozzle assembly according to claim 22, and further comprising a

2 regulating member with a connection means over which the high-pressure hose can be placed, said
regulating member having an enlarged area to accommodate a bulge in the high-pressure hose.--